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SENATOR F. LEWIS: I guess a point of order, I don't know.

PRESIDENT: Or point of ... privilege of the House?

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Personal privilege of the House, call it what you like Mr. President. I have an item on my desk on the Papio water shed. Sarpe won't budge on the Papio plan, it's unsigned. I'd like to know who sent that around. Well I didn't know that you see.

PRESIDENT: Was it signed?

SENATOR F. LEWIS: No, I thought it was a phantom.

PRESIDENT: Well I think the Executive Board does have a rule that all materials placed on Senators desks must carry some responsibility. The Chair will sustain your point and remind the membership. Senator Mahoney.

SENATOR MAHONEY: I beg forgiveness and to tell that my sidekick, Senator Syas, got me in trouble.

PRESIDENT: It's not the first time nor will it be the last, Senator Mahoney.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Mr. President, that's because of inexperience. I too forgive him.

PRESIDENT: Well I'm sustaining the point and it's well taken Senator Frank Lewis. Senator Dickinson, for what purpose do you arise?

SENATOR DICKINSON: Same purpose. Is this an issue that I may comment upon?

PRESIDENT: Well I sustained the point and the Chairman of the Board said that it probably was a violation of the rules and it will be corrected hereafter. What comment do you want to make?

SENATOR DICKINSON: Thank you. The comment I want to make is that Senator Mahoney and Senator Syas seem to be blaming one another. I would comment, Senator Mahoney, that I could have circulated this sort of information in connection with two other county boards and refrain from stirring this issue on the floor of this Legislature. I'm a little disappointed that you saw fit to do this.

PRESIDENT: Senator Dickinson, the point is that there was no ... that it was unauthorized and that's the violation of the rule. The point was sustained. We are on Final Reading. I don't.... This was a point for general interest of the body. Senator Mahoney.

SENATOR MAHONEY: ... I should clarify it and....

PRESIDENT: No, no we're going to get into debate on the Papio dam.

SENATOR MAHONEY: But it was not passed out to every Senator. It was passed out to the....